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Applicants in the above-identified application hereby requests the filing of a continuation application under the continued prosecution procedure of 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d).

Prior Application:

The prior application is identified as follows [37 C.F.R. §1.53(d)(2)(i)]:

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| Serial Number: | 09/270,606 |
| Filing date: | March 17, 1999 |
| Title [§ 1.53(d)(8)(i)]: | Method for Modification of Polishing Pattern Dependence in Chemical Mechanical Polishing |
| Inventor [§ 1.53(d)(8)(ii)]: | David Russell Evans |
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As of the date this continued prosecution application is filed, the inventor is the same as the inventor named in the prior application.

Accompanying this request are the following:

- X A Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136 in the parent application
- X A Preliminary Amendment Accompanying Continued Prosecution Application Under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(d), including an attachment entitled "Claims Pending in Application Serial No. 09/270,606," and "Claims Amended in Application Serial No. 09/270,606"

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| Basic Fee | | \$355.00 \$710.00 | \$ 710.00 |
| Total Claims <u>20</u> | <u>20</u> | \$ 9.00 \$18.00 = | \$ 0.00 |
| Independent Claims <u>7</u> | <u>(3)</u> | \$40.00 \$80.00 = | \$ 320.00 |
| First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim(s) <u>0</u> | | \$135.00 \$270.00 = | \$ 0.00 |
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